



Game Information



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Detroit Tigers at Oakland Athletics

Thursday, May 10, 2012

Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum, Oakland, CA

Game Time - 10:05 p.m. EDT

TIGERS AT A GLANCE

Record: 15-15 / Streak: L1

Game #31 / Road #13

Home: 9-9 / Road: 6-6

Tonight's Scheduled Starters

RHP Max Scherzer vs. RHP Bartolo Colon
(1-3, 6.32) (3-2, 2.83)

TV/Radio

FSD/AM 1270 & 97.1 FM

TIGERS VS. ATHLETICS

2012 Record: 0-0

2012 at Home: 0-0

2012 at Oakland: 0-0

All-Time Record: 981-904-14

All-Time at Home: 550-396-5

All-Time at Comerica Park: 19-26

All-Time at Oakland: 431-508-9

2012 Game Log

Date	Site	Result	Winner/Loser/Save
5/10	OAK		
5/11	OAK		
5/12	OAK		
5/13	OAK		
9/18	DET		
9/19	DET		
9/20	DET		

STREAKS

Last five games: 2-3

Last 10 games: 5-5

Last 15 games: 5-10

Last 20 games: 8-12

RECENT RESULTS: The Tigers suffered a 2-1 loss to the Mariners last night at Safeco Field. Luke Putkonen (0-1) allowed one run in relief to take the loss for Detroit. Austin Jackson drove in Detroit's lone run with a sacrifice fly, while Gerald Laird finished with a double. The Tigers continue a nine-game road trip with the first game of a four-game series at Oakland this evening. The trip concludes with with a two-game series at Chicago beginning on Monday evening. Detroit returns home for a five-game homestand with Minnesota and Pittsburgh beginning on May 16.

ON THE ROAD: Tonight at Oakland marks the fourth game of a 24-game stretch in which 19 of Detroit's games will be played on the road. The Tigers have posted a 23-12 record in road games dating back to August 11, 2011. Detroit is second among all major league clubs with a .657 winning percentage on the road during that stretch.

TIGERS PITCHING EARNING ALL A'S AGAINST OAKLAND: In 16 games versus Oakland since the start of the 2010 season, Tigers pitchers have posted a 3.38 ERA (141.0IP/53ER) and 116 strikeouts. Detroit pitchers have limited the Athletics to a .236 batting average (122x517) during that stretch. The Tigers are fourth among all American League clubs with a .236 batting average against versus Oakland since the start of the 2010 season, while the club is fifth with a 3.38 ERA.

SANTIAGO LOCKED IN ON COLON: Ramon Santiago enters tonight's game at Oakland hitting .550 (11x20) with three doubles, a triple and three RBI during his career against Bartolo Colon. He is tops among all active major league players with at least 20 plate appearances versus Colon with a .550 batting average against the pitcher.

STARTING WELL: Tigers starters have posted nine quality starts in the club's last 10 games dating back to April 28. Detroit starters have compiled a 2.35 ERA (65.0IP/17ER) and 56 strikeouts during the 10-game stretch, while they have limited opponents to a .213 batting average (50x235).

PAPA GRANDE CONVERTS HIS SAVE CHANCES: Jose Valverde has converted 81 of his 86 save opportunities for the Tigers since the beginning of the 2010 season. He is tops among all major league pitchers during that stretch by converting 94.2 percent of his save opportunities. Valverde is 19 saves shy of reaching 100 during his Tigers career as he looks to become the fifth pitcher in club history to record 100 saves for the team.

JACKSON SWINGS INTO ACTION: Austin Jackson enters this evening's game at Oakland having hit safely in nine of his last 12 games. During the 12-game stretch, he is batting .404 (19x47) with four doubles, a home run and seven RBI. Jackson is currently tied for eighth in the American League with a .319 batting average this season.

PRINCE IS DOING HIS BEST WORK ON THE ROAD: Prince Fielder has hit safely in nine of his 12 games on the road this season. He is hitting .349 (15x43) with three doubles, two home runs and nine RBI in 12 games on the road in 2012. Fielder is sixth in the American League with a .440 on-base percentage on the road this season, while he is ninth with a .349 batting average.

CABRERA, FIELDER FORM POWERFUL COMBO: Miguel Cabrera and Prince Fielder are among the leaders in the major leagues in home runs and RBI since the start of the 2006 season. Fielder is third in the major leagues with 233 home runs during that stretch, while Cabrera is seventh with 206 home runs. Cabrera is third in the major leagues with 716 RBI since the start of the 2006 season, while Fielder is seventh with 661 RBI.

RADIO BOOTH UPDATE: Tigers radio broadcaster Jim Price, per the club's request, did not accompany the team on the long journey out West. Price will return to the booth when the Tigers host Minnesota on May 16. Former Tigers pitcher Dan Petry will serve as radio analyst and join Dan Dickerson for the entire road trip.

NOTES ON THE SKIPPER: Jim Leyland is in his seventh season as the manager of the Tigers, compiling a 534-469 record (.532).

- Leyland enters tonight's game with 1,603 wins during his major league managerial career, 16th-most all-time in major league history. He is 16 wins shy of matching Ralph Houk for 15th-most all-time in major league history with 1,619 wins. Leyland is tops among all active major league managers with 1,603 wins.

- Tonight's game marks the 3,206th game Leyland has managed during his career, placing him in 15th place all-time in major league history.

- Leyland is one of only five managers in Tigers history to register at least 500 victories with the club. Sparky Anderson (1,331 wins), Hughie Jennings (1,131 wins), Bucky Harris (516 wins) and Steve O'Neill (509 wins) are the four other managers in Tigers history with at least 500 wins with the club.

INJURY UPDATE: RHP **Albuquerque** (right elbow surgery, 60-day DL on April 4), RHP **Luis Marte** (left hamstring strain, 15-day DL on April 4), C **Victor Martinez** (left knee surgery, 60-day DL on March 12), LHP **Daniel Schlereth** (left shoulder tendinitis, 15-day DL on April 21).

TIGERS UPCOMING GAME DETAILS

DATE	OPPONENT	GAME TIME	TIGERS PROBABLE PITCHER	OPPONENTS PROBABLE PITCHER	TV/RADIO
Friday	at Oakland	10:05 p.m.	RHP Rick Porcello (3-2, 4.91)	LHP Tommy Milone (4-2, 4.42)	FSD/1270 & 97.1
Saturday	at Oakland	8:05 p.m.	RHP Doug Fister (0-0, 0.00)	TBA	FSD/1270 & 97.1
Sunday	at Oakland	4:05 p.m.	RHP Justin Verlander (3-1, 2.63)	RHP Jarrod Parker (1-0, 1.80)	FSD/1270 & 97.1

All times Eastern. Radio coverage on AM 1270 and 97.1 FM The Ticket, unless otherwise noted. Local TV coverage provided by FOX Sports Detroit (FSD) and FOX Sports Detroit Plus (FSD PLUS).

TIGERS AT A GLANCE IN 2012

vs. AL East: 6-3
vs. AL Central: 7-4

vs. AL West: 2-8

vs. NL: 0-0

Tigers score first: 11-3

Opponents score first: 4-12

Scoring five-or-more runs: 9-1

Scoring four-or-less runs: 6-14

Extra-innings: 1-1

One-run games: 6-7

Tigers get quality start: 12-6

Tigers starter works 6+ innings: 12-9

Lead after 6th/7th/8th inning: 9-5/11-5/13-3

Trail after 6th/7th/8th inning: 2-8/2-9/2-9

Tied after 6th/7th/8th inning: 4-2/2-1/0-3

Tigers out hit opponent: 9-6

Opponent out hits Tigers: 3-8

Tigers and opponent have equal hits: 3-1

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TONIGHT'S TIGERS STARTER - MAX SCHERZER

'12 Season (Detroit): 1-3, 6.32 ERA, 6 G, 6 GS, 0 CG, 0 SHO, 0 SV, 31.1 IP, 41 H, 22 R, 22 ER, 13 BB, 36 SO.

'11 Season (Detroit): 15-9, 4.43 ERA, 33 G, 33 GS, 0 CG, 0 SHO, 0 SV, 195.0 IP, 207 H, 101 R, 96 ER, 56 BB, 174 SO.

TAKING IT TO THE MAX: In his third season with the Tigers, Scherzer will make his seventh start of the season this evening against the Athletics.

CHECKING THE LEADER BOARDS: Scherzer enters his start this evening at Oakland tops among all American League pitchers with 10.3 strikeouts per nine innings.

STRIKING OUT THE ATHLETICS: Scherzer is making the third start of his career against Oakland this evening. He has fanned 22 batters in 10.2 innings during his previous two outings against the club. Scherzer established a career best with 14 strikeouts against Oakland on May 30, 2010.

AT HIS BEST AGAINST THE WEST: Scherzer is making the 15th start of his career against opponent from the American League West Division this evening at Oakland. In his previous 14 outings, he is 8-3 with a 3.54 ERA (84.0IP/33ER) and 83 strikeouts.

LOOKING TO LIMIT THE HITS: Scherzer enters his start this evening allowing 11.8 hits per nine innings during his six starts this season. In his first two seasons with the Tigers (2010-11), he allowed 8.8 hits per nine innings during his 64 starts.

PILING UP THE PUNCHOUTS WITH THE TIGERS: Scherzer has fanned 394 batters with the Tigers since the beginning of the 2010 season. He is eighth among all American League pitchers with 8.40 strikeouts per nine innings during that stretch.

GOING FROM SEVEN WALKS TO NONE IN HIS NEXT START: Scherzer did not issue a walk in his start on May 5 versus the White Sox after he had allowed a career-high seven walks in his previous start on April 29 against the Yankees. He became the first Tigers pitcher to not allow a walk in the outing immediately following issuing seven-or-more walks since Milt Wilcox did so in 1984. Wilcox issued seven walks on July 4 at Chicago before not walking a batter in his next start on July 14 at Minnesota.

SCHERZER RECORDS SEVENTH CAREER DOUBLE-DIGIT STRIKEOUT GAME: Scherzer fanned a season-high 11 batters in his start on April 13 at Chicago, marking the seventh time in his career he has reached a double-digit strikeout total in a start.

RECORD AT OAKLAND-ALAMEDA COUNTY COLISEUM: Scherzer is making the second start of his career at Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum this evening. He took the loss in his previous outing, allowing five runs in five innings of work.

ROUGH ON THE RIGHTIES: Scherzer has limited righthanded batters to a .246 batting average (286x1163) during his major league career. Lefties are hitting .269 (350x1299) with Scherzer on the mound.

RISP MANAGEMENT: Scherzer limited opponents to a .188 batting average (29x154) with runners in scoring position during the 2011 season. He was fourth among all American League pitchers with a .188 batting average against with runners in scoring position during the 2011 season. Since the start of the 2010 season, Scherzer has held opponents to a .243 batting average (84x346) with runners in scoring position.

CAREER BEST WIN TOTAL IN 2011: Scherzer established a career high with 15 wins for the Tigers during the 2011 season.

LOOKING AT LEADER BOARDS IN 2011: Scherzer tied for ninth in the American League with a .625 winning percentage during the 2011 season.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTES: Scherzer was acquired by the Tigers from the Arizona Diamondbacks in a four-player deal on December 9, 2009. Scherzer was selected by the Diamondbacks in the first round (11th overall) of the June 2006 draft.

SCHERZER'S GAME HIGHS:

LAST CG: No ML CG.

LAST SHUTOUT: No ML SHO.

STRIKEOUT HIGH - 2012: 11 - April 13, 2012 at Chicago White Sox.

STRIKEOUT HIGH - CAREER: 14 - May 30, 2010 vs. Oakland.

WALK HIGH - 2012: 7 - April 29, 2012 at New York Yankees.

WALK HIGH - CAREER: 7 - April 29, 2012 at New York Yankees.

LOW-HIT GAME - 2012: 4 - May 5, 2012 vs. Chicago White Sox (7.0IP).

LOW-HIT GAME - CAREER: 1 - April 7, 2010 at Kansas City (6.0IP).

SCHERZER VS. ATHLETICS:

LIFETIME: 1-1, 4.22 ERA, 2 G, 2 GS, 0 CG, 10.2 IP, 9 H, 5 R, 5 ER, 5 BB, 22 SO.

IN 2011: 0-1, 9.00 ERA, 1 G, 1 GS, 0 CG, 5.0 IP, 7 H, 5 R, 5 ER, 1 BB, 8 SO.

LAST START/LOSS: September 15, 2011 at Oakland, 6-1 (5.0,7,5,5,1,8).

LAST WIN: May 30, 2010 at Detroit, 10-2 (5.2,2,0,0,4,14).

BATTER-PITCHER MATCH-UPS:

SCHERZER vs. ATHLETICS - CAREER (AVG-AB-H-HR): Barton .000 3-0-0; Crisp .667 3-2-0; Hughes .200 5-1-1; Ka'aihue .167 6-1-0; Pennington .250 4-1-1; Reddick 1.000 1-1-0; Sizemore .333 3-1-0; Smith .000 5-0-0; Sogard .500 2-1-0; Suzuki 1.000 1-1-1.

COLON vs. TIGERS - CAREER (AVG-AB-H-HR): Avila .667 3-2-2; Boesch .250 4-1-1; Cabrera .375 8-3-0; Jackson .000 5-0-0; Kelly .000 2-0-0; Laird .000 7-0-0; Peralta .250 8-2-0; Raburn .200 5-1-0; Santiago .550 20-11-0; Young .500 6-3-0.

2012 GAME-BY-GAME RUNDOWN

SEASON (DETROIT)

DATE	OPP.	RESULT	S/R	DEC.	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	PC
4/8	BOS	W, 13-12 (11)	S	ND	23.63	2.2	8	7	7	2	3	80
4/13	@CWS	L, 5-2	S	L-1	10.38	6.0	5	3	3	1	11	100
4/18	@KC	W, 4-3	S	W-1	7.98	6.0	7	3	3	1	3	94
4/24	SEA	L, 7-4	S	L-2	8.24	5.0	10	5	5	2	6	103
4/29	@NYY	L, 6-2	S	L-3	7.77	4.2	7	3	3	7	4	119
5/5	CWS	L, 3-2	S	ND	6.32	7.0	4	1	1	0	9	97
TOTALS		(2-4 record)	6 starts	1-3, 6.32	31.1	41	22	22	13	36	593	

TRACKING THE TIGERS

(Series numbers are for three games at Seattle May 7-9; Road trip numbers are for nine games May 7-15)

**TIGERS
OPONENTS**
**SERIES: .245 (24x98)
SERIES: .191 (17x89)**
**ROAD TRIP: .245 (24x98)
ROAD TRIP: .191 (17x89)**
AVILA
**SERIES: .000 (0x4) CURRENT STREAK: 0 (.000, 0x11)
ROAD TRIP: .000 (0x4) LONG STREAK: 5 (.471, 8x17, 4/28-5/5)**

- **Last Game:** 5/7 @SEA; 0x4, 2 SO at C.
- Batting .327 (17x52) with four home runs and nine RBI in 16 games at home...hitting .107 (3x28) in seven games on the road.
- Belted his first career walk-off home run on 4/8 vs. BOS, a two-run shot off Mark Melancon in the 11th inning.
- Selected to the American League's all-star squad for the first time in his career in 2011 -- elected the starter behind the plate.
- Earned his first Silver Slugger Award in 2011.

BOESCH
**SERIES: .300 (3x10) CURRENT STREAK: 3 (.300, 3x10)
ROAD TRIP: .300 (3x10) LONG STREAK: 9 (.256, 10x39, 4/22-5/2)**

- **Last Game:** 5/9 @SEA; 1x4, GIDP at RF.
- Established career bests with 75 runs scored, 121 hits and 16 home runs for the Tigers in 2011.
- Tied for third in the Grapefruit League with six home runs this spring, while he tied for fourth with 17 RBI.

CABRERA
**SERIES: .000 (0x13) CURRENT STREAK: 0 (.000, 0x14)
ROAD TRIP: .000 (0x13) LONG STREAK: 5 (.350, 7x20, 4/26-5/1)**

- **Last Game:** 5/9 @SEA; 0x4, SO, GIDP at 3B.
- Tied for sixth in the American League with seven home runs, while he is tied for seventh with 22 RBI.
- Is hitting .138 (4x29) over his last seven games.
- Collected the 1,000th RBI of his career on 4/27 @NYY.
- Named the American League Player of the Week for the season's opening week, his ninth career honor and fifth with the Tigers.
- Belted two home runs on 4/7 vs. BOS, his 21st career multi-home run game and first since 6/29/11 vs. NYM.
- Selected to the American League's all-star squad for the second consecutive season with the Tigers in 2011.
- Has led the American League in batting average (2011), home runs (2008) and RBI (2010) during his Tigers career -- joined Ty Cobb to become only the second player in Tigers history to lead the American League in all three categories.
- Is 16 home runs shy of 300 during his major league career.

DIRKS
**SERIES: .500 (4x8) CURRENT STREAK: 4 (.471, 8x17)
ROAD TRIP: .500 (4x8) LONG STREAK: 4 twice (last, .471, 8x17, 5/5-8)**

- **Last Game:** 5/8 @SEA; 2x5, R, 2B, 3 RBI at LF.
- Saw his first major league action with the Tigers in 2011 -- played in 78 games during two separate stints with the club.
- Led the Grapefruit League with a .429 batting average this spring, while he tied for second with 24 hits.

FIELDER
**SERIES: .400 (4x10) CURRENT STREAK: 0 (.000, 0x4)
ROAD TRIP: .400 (4x10) LONG STREAK: 5 (.500, 9x18, 5/4-8)**

- **Last Game:** 5/9 @SEA; 0x3 at 1B.
- Collected four extra-base hits over his last 18 games.
- Singled off Clay Buchholz in the first inning on 4/8 vs. BOS for the 1,000th hit of his major league career.
- Belted two home runs on 4/7 vs. BOS, his 23rd career multi-home run game and first since hitting three on 9/27/11 vs. PIT.
- Won his second Silver Slugger Award in 2011 -- finished second in the National League with 38 home runs and 120 RBI for Brewers.
- Three-time National League all-star selection (2007, 2009, 2011).

JACKSON
**SERIES: .400 (4x10) CURRENT STREAK: 0 (.000, 0x2)
ROAD TRIP: .400 (4x10) LONG STREAK: 5 (.500, 10x20, 4/5-11)**

- **Last Game:** 5/9 @SEA; 0x2, RBI, SF, BB at CF.
- Tied for eighth in the AL with a .319 batting average.
- Is hitting .404 (19x47) over his last 12 games.
- Belted the sixth lead-off home run of his career on Sunday vs. CWS -- marked his second of 2012 season (also, 4/16 @KC).
- Established career highs with 11 triples and 10 home runs for the Tigers in 2011 -- tied for the American League lead with 11 triples.
- Finished 2011 with 22 doubles, 11 triples, 10 home runs and 22 stolen bases -- marked the 18th time a Tigers player has posted double-digit totals during a single season in those four categories.

KELLY
**SERIES: .000 (0x0) CURRENT STREAK: 2 (.286, 2x7)
ROAD TRIP: .000 (0x0) LONG STREAK: 2 twice (last, .286, 2x7, 5/1-4)**

- **Last Game:** 5/8 @SEA; 0x0 at RF (def. replacement in 8th).
- Matched a career high with three RBI on 4/19 vs. TEX -- third career game with three RBI and his first since 9/25/11 vs. BAL.
- Saw action at seven different positions for the Tigers in 2011: pitcher (one game), catcher (one game), first base (15 games), third base (45 games), left field (17 games), center field (four games) and right field (39 games).

LAIRD
**SERIES: .286 (2x7) CURRENT STREAK: 2 (.286, 2x7)
ROAD TRIP: .286 (2x7) LONG STREAK: 2 twice (last, .286, 2x7, 5/8-9)**

- **Last Game:** 5/9 @SEA; 1x3, R, 2B at C.
- Returns to the Tigers after signing as a free agent on 11/18/11 -- saw action with Detroit in both 2009 and 2010.

PERALTA
**SERIES: .273 (3x11) CURRENT STREAK: 1 (.333, 1x3)
ROAD TRIP: .273 (3x11) LONG STREAK: 4 twice (last, .429, 6x14, 5/4-7)**

- **Last Game:** 5/9 @SEA; 1x3, SO, GIDP at SS.
- Belted a walk-off home run on Friday vs. CWS -- his second career walk-off home run (also, 8/30/06 vs. TOR).
- Selected to the American League's all-star squad for the first time in his career with the Tigers in 2011.
- Second among all American League shortstops with a .988 fielding percentage during the 2011 season.

RABURN
**SERIES: .100 (1x10) CURRENT STREAK: 0 (.000, 0x4)
ROAD TRIP: .100 (1x10) LONG STREAK: 3 (.500, 5x10, 4/24-27)**

- **Last Game:** 5/9 @SEA; 0x3, SO at LF.
- Third in the Grapefruit League with 19 RBI this spring, while he tied for third with six home runs.

SANTIAGO
**SERIES: .000 (0x1) CURRENT STREAK: 0 (.000, 0x3)
ROAD TRIP: .000 (0x1) LONG STREAK: 2 twice (last, .286, 2x7, 4/21-22)**

- **Last Game:** 5/8 @SEA; 0x0 at 2B (def. replacement in 8th).
- Since the start of the 2006 season, he has compiled a .994 fielding percentage at second base (531TC/3E) and .980 fielding percentage at shortstop (981TC/20E).
- Collected nine hits during the American League Championship Series in 2011, matching Placido Polanco (2006) for the club record for hits during an American League Championship Series.

WORTH
**SERIES: .333 (1x3) CURRENT STREAK: 1 (.333, 1x3)
ROAD TRIP: .333 (1x3) LONG STREAK: 1 twice (last, .333, 1x3, 5/9)**

- **Last Game:** 5/9 @SEA; 1x3, SO at 2B.
- Recalled from Triple A Toledo prior to the game on 4/28 @NYY -- marks his second stint with the Tigers during the 2012 season.
- Batting .309 (17x55) with seven doubles, three home runs and six RBI in 13 games with Toledo this season.
- Seen action in games at second base (31 games), third base (16 games) and shortstop (24 games) during his major league career.

YOUNG
**SERIES: .182 (2x11) CURRENT STREAK: 2 (.286, 2x7)
ROAD TRIP: .182 (2x11) LONG STREAK: 6 (.304, 7x23, 4/17-22)**

- **Last Game:** 5/9 @SEA; 1x3, 2 SO at DH.
- Suspended seven days by MLB -- reinstated from the restricted list prior to Friday's game vs. CWS.
- Acquired by the Tigers from Minnesota on 8/15/11 -- batted .268 (127x473) with 21 doubles, a triple, 12 home runs and 64 RBI in 124 games between the two clubs.
- Belted five home runs during the post-season to match the most home runs hit by a Tigers player during a single post-season -- Craig Monroe also hit five home runs for the Tigers in 2006.

TIGERS MISCELLANEOUS

	HOME RUNS				LAST HR	2H	MULTI-HIT GAMES				TOTAL	MULTI-RBI GAMES				TOTAL
	1R	2R	3R	GS			3H	4H	5H	2BI		3BI	4BI	5BI		
Avila	1	3			5/4/12 vs. CWS	4	1			5	3				3	
Boesch	3	1			5/2/12 vs. KC	6				6	1		1		2	
Cabrera	3	3	1		4/28/12 @NYY	10	2			12	2	2		1	5	
Dirks	1		1		5/6/12 vs. CWS	7				7		2			2	
Fielder	5				5/8/12 @SEA	12				12	3				3	
Jackson	4				5/6/12 vs. CWS	4	2	3		9	2				2	
Kelly					9/25/11 vs. BAL	2				2		1			1	
Laird	1				4/15/12 @CWS	1	1			2						
Peralta		1			5/4/12 vs. CWS	3	2			5	2	1			3	
Raburn					9/14/11 @CWS	2				2						
Santiago					9/9/11 vs. MIN	1				1	1				1	
Worth					7/25/10 vs. TOR											
Young		1			4/13/12 @CWS	4				4	2				2	



BULLPEN NOTES

TIGERS STARTERS AND RELIEVERS

	W-L	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB-I	SO
STARTERS	8-9	3.75	175.0	173	78	73	44-1	151
RELIEVERS	7-6	4.20	94.1	92	49	44	47-6	83

	1ST BATTER RETIRED/FACED	PCT.	RI/SCORED	PCT.	SAVES/OPPS.	PCT
Balester	5/7	.714	8/3	.375	0/0	---
Below	7/8	.875	9/3	.333	0/0	---
Benoit	8/14	.571	1/0	.000	0/1	.000
Coke	11/14	.786	8/1	.125	0/1	.000
Dotel	11/12	.917	3/1	.333	0/1	.000
Putkonen	2/2	1.000	3/0	.000	0/0	---
Valverde	6/14	.429	3/2	.667	6/8	.750
TEAM TOTALS	55/83	.663	46/14	.304	6/11	.545

BALESTER

- **Last Game Pitched:** 4/29 @NYY
- **Last Five Outings:** 4.50 ERA (10.0IP/5ER), 7 H, 6 BB, 7 SO
- Compiled a 3.79 ERA (71.1IP/30ER) and 71 strikeouts in 47 relief outings during his major league career.
- Acquired by the Tigers from the Washington National in a two-player deal on 12/9/11.

BELOW

- **Last Game Pitched:** 5/9 @SEA
- **Last Five Outings:** 0.00 ERA (10.0IP/0ER), 5 H, BB, 6 SO
- Tossed six scoreless innings on 4/21 vs. TEX, marking the longest outing by a Tigers reliever since Steve Sparks worked 7.2 innings on 6/1/03 vs. NYY and the longest scoreless outing by a Tigers reliever since Greg Keagle tossed 7.1 scoreless innings on 6/24/96 @OAK.
- Tossed 2.1 scoreless innings on 4/7 vs. BOS to earn the first win of his major league career.
- Compiled a 9-4 record and 3.13 ERA (115.0IP/40ER) in 18 starts with Triple A Toledo in 2011 -- tabbed Toledo's Pitcher of the Year.
- Made 14 appearances (two starts) as he received his first major league action with the Tigers during the 2011 season.

BENOIT

- **Last Game Pitched:** 5/8 @SEA
- **Last Five Outings:** 0-1, 3.60 ERA (5.0IP/2ER), 4 H, BB, 7 SO
- Third among all AL relievers with 21 strikeouts.
- Compiled a 21-13 record, 3.27 ERA (451.1IP/164ER) and 464 strikeouts in 361 relief outings during his major league career.
- Finished 2-0 with a 1.33 ERA (27.0IP/4ER) and 32 strikeouts in 27 appearances for the Tigers following the all-star break in 2011.

COKE

- **Last Game Pitched:** 5/8 @SEA
- **Last Five Outings:** 4.15 ERA (4.1IP/2ER), 3 H, BB, 2 SO
- Was on Detroit's Opening Day roster for the third straight season (2010-12) -- marks fourth straight season he has been on an Opening Day roster at the major league level (also, New York Yankees in 2009).
- Posted a 2-1 record and 3.38 ERA (29.1IP/11ER) in 29 outings with the Tigers following the all-star break in 2011.

DOTEL

- **Last Game Pitched:** 5/7 @SEA
- **Last Five Outings:** 0-1, 13.50 ERA (3.1IP/5ER), 3 H, 2 BB, 5 SO
- Made the 700th appearance of his major league career on 4/21 vs. TEX -- he is the 93rd pitcher in major league history to record 700 career appearances.
- Signed by the Tigers as a free agent on 12/9/11 -- Detroit is the 13th different team he has pitched for at the major league level.
- He joins Mariano Rivera as the only two active major league pitchers with at least 50 wins, 100 saves and 1,000 strikeouts during their major league careers.

PUTKONEN

- **Last Game Pitched:** 5/9 @SEA
- **Last Five Outings:** 0-1, 9.00 ERA (3.0IP/3ER), 4 H, 2 BB, 2 SO (2 G)
- Made his contract purchased from Triple A Toledo prior to the game on 4/26 vs. SEA -- made his major league debut on 4/29 @NYY.
- Appeared in six games with Toledo this season, posting a 1-0 record, 1.38 ERA (13.0IP/2ER) and 10 strikeouts.
- Selected by the Tigers in the third round of the June 2007 draft.

VALVERDE

- **Last Game Pitched:** 5/8 @SEA
- **Last Five Outings:** 1-1, 9.00 ERA (5.0IP/5ER), 2 SV, 7 H, 5 BB, 5 SO
- Is eighth in the American League with six saves.
- Charged with a blown save on 4/5 vs. BOS, snapping a streak of 51 consecutive saves converted dating back to the 2010 season.
- Selected to the American League's all-star squad for the second straight season in 2011 as he set a club record with 49 saves.
- Converted all 49 of his save opportunities in 2011 to become only the third pitcher in major league history to be perfect in all his save chances during a single season while posting 40-or-more saves.
- Tabbed Major League Baseball's Delivery Man of the Year in 2011 -- topped the American League with 75 appearances and 49 saves.

TIGERS VERSUS ATHLETICS

TIGERS BATTING VERSUS ATHLETICS

	2011					CAREER				
	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI
Avila	.192	26	5	0	1	.214	42	9	0	1
Boesch	.273	22	6	0	3	.176	34	6	0	3
Cabrera	.226	31	7	2	3	.325	120	39	11	29
Dirks	.000	3	0	0	0	.000	3	0	0	0
Felder	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Jackson	.154	39	6	1	2	.206	63	13	1	4
Kelly	.353	17	6	1	5	.400	25	10	1	5
Laird	---	---	---	---	---	.215	195	42	0	13
Peralta	.160	25	4	0	2	.219	201	44	6	16
Raburn	.208	24	5	0	1	.272	92	25	4	17
Santiago	.217	23	5	0	3	.237	76	18	1	10
Worth	.000	4	0	0	0	.273	11	3	0	1
Young	.231	39	9	1	3	.270	185	50	2	20
Team Totals	.232	336	78	7	32					

TIGERS PITCHING VERSUS ATHLETICS

	2011						CAREER					
	G	W-L-S	ERA	IP	H	ER	G	W-L-S	ERA	IP	H	ER
Balester	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Below	2	0-0-0	1.50	6.0	6	1	2	0-0-0	1.50	6.0	6	1
Benoit	3	0-0-0	3.00	3.0	4	1	35	0-2-3	3.86	53.2	39	23
Coke	3	1-0-0	0.00	9.0	5	0	10	2-0-0	2.40	15.0	13	4
Dotel	---	---	---	---	---	---	12	2-1-0	4.50	12.0	11	6
Putkonen	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Valverde	3	0-0-3	0.00	3.0	1	0	5	0-0-4	0.00	5.0	2	0
Team Totals	10	5-5-3	3.41	87.0	77	33						

2012 DETROIT TIGERS HIGHS AND LOWS

(* - ties club record; # - sets club record; + - current streak)

GENERAL (Nine inning games unless otherwise noted)
 Longest winning streak - overall4 twice (last, 4/15-18)
 Longest winning streak - home.....4 (4/5-10)
 Longest winning streak - road4 (4/15-18)
 Most consecutive losses - overall5 (4/22-27)
 Most consecutive losses - home.....4 (4/22-26)
 Most consecutive losses - road2 twice (last, 4/29-5/7)
 Longest game, time (nine inn.).....3:44 (4/19 vs. TEX)
 Longest game, time (extra inn.).....4:45 (4/8 vs. BOS, 11 inn.)
 Longest game, innings11 twice (last, 4/22 vs. TEX)
 Shortest game, time2:06 (5/9 @SEA)
 Best homestand, percentage833 (5-1, 4/5-12)
 Worst homestand, percentage167 (1-6, 4/19-26)
 Best road trip, percentage......667 (4-2, 4/13-18)
 Worst road trip, percentage......333 (1-2, 4/27-29)
 Most runners left on base, game12 (5/6 vs. CWS)
 Most errors, game2 three times (last, 4/25 vs. SEA)
 Most DP turned, game3 (4/18 @KC)
 Most DP turned, opponent.....3 three times (last, 5/9 @SEA)
 Largest margin of victory.....10 (4/7 vs. BOS)
 Largest margin of defeat.....8 (4/25 vs. SEA)
 Biggest comeback to win.....3 (4/8 vs. BOS, 11 inn.)
 Biggest lead lost in a loss.....2 four times (last, 5/7 @SEA)
 Highest attendance, home.....45,027 (4/5 vs. BOS)
 Highest attendance, road44,686 (4/28 @NYY)

TEAM BATTING
 Most runs, game.....13 (4/8 vs. BOS, 11 inn.)
 Most runs, game - both clubs.....25 (4/8 vs. BOS, 11 inn.)
 Most runs, inning.....5 (5/1 vs. KC, 1st)
 Most hits, game.....17 (4/8 vs. BOS, 11 inn.)
 Most hits, inning6 (5/1 vs. KC, 1st)
 Most consecutive hits, inning4 (4/27 @NYY, 3rd)
 Fewest hits, nine-inning game3 (4/21 vs. TEX)
 Most extra-base hits, game6 (4/7 vs. BOS)
 Most singles, game13 (4/8 vs. BOS, 11 inn.)
 Most doubles, game.....4 (4/15 @CWS)
 Most triples, game2 (4/12 vs. TB)
 Most home runs, game5 (4/7 vs. BOS)
 Most home runs, inning.....2 twice (last, 4/7 vs. BOS, 5th)
 Most home runs - both clubs.....5 twice (last, 4/28 @NYY)
 Most consecutive games, home run .4 (4/13-16)
 Most consec. games, no home run...3 (4/17-19)
 Most walks, game6 (4/19 vs. TEX)
 Most strikeouts, game10 three times (last, 4/29 @NYY)
 Fewest strikeouts, game.....4 three times (last, 4/10 vs. TB)
 Most stolen bases, game.....2 twice (last, 4/18 @KC)
 Most caught stealing, game.....1 three times (last, 4/14 @CWS)

TEAM PITCHING
 Fewest runs, game0 (4/7 vs. BOS)
 Most runs, game12 (4/8 vs. BOS, 11 inn.)
 Most runs, inning.....8 (4/21 vs. TEX, 1st)
 Fewest hits, game4 (5/9 @SEA)
 Most hits, game19 (4/19 vs. TEX)
 Most hits, inning.....7 (4/21 vs. TEX, 1st)
 Fewest walks, game0 twice (last, 5/5 vs. CWS*)
 Most walks, game.....9 (4/29 @NYY)
 Most strikeouts, game.....15 (4/13 @CWS)
 Most home runs, game3 twice (last, 4/28 @NYY)
 Most hit by pitch, game3 (4/8 vs. BOS, 11 inn.)
 Most wild pitches, game2 twice (last, 4/14 @CWS)
 Longest scoreless streak16.0 (5/6-7)

INDIVIDUAL BATTING
 Most at-bats, game.....6 three times (last, three players, 4/8 vs. BOS, 11 inn.)
 Most runs, game3 twice (last, two players, 4/8 vs. BOS, 11 inn.)
 Most hits, game4 three times (last, Jackson, 5/1 vs. KC)
 Most consecutive hits.....6 (Avila, 5/2-5)
 Most doubles, game2 twice (last, Jackson, 4/27 @NYY)
 Most triples, game.....1 six times (last, Eldred, 4/27 @NYY)
 Most home runs, game2 twice (last, two players, 4/7 vs. BOS)
 Most total bases, game.....8 twice (last, two players, 4/7 vs. BOS)
 Most RBI, game5 (Cabrera, 4/8 vs. BOS, 11 inn.)
 Most walks, game.....3 (Cabrera, 4/5 vs. BOS)
 Most strikeouts, game.....3 six times (last, Raburn, 5/7 @SEA)
 Most stolen bases, game.....1 eight times (last, Jackson, 5/7 @SEA)
 Most hit by pitch, game2 (Young, 4/14 @CWS)
 Longest batting streak9 (Boesch, 4/22-5/2)

INDIVIDUAL PITCHING
 Longest winning streak3 (Verlander, 4/16-5/8+)
 Longest losing streak.....3 (Wilk, 4/14-25+)
 Most innings pitched, starter.....9.0 (Verlander, 4/16 @KC)
 Most innings pitched, reliever.....6.0 (Below, 4/21 vs. TEX)
 Fewest innings pitched, starter1.0 (Porcello, 4/21 vs. TEX)
 Fewest hits, complete game.....7 (Verlander, 4/16 @KC)
 Fewest runs, complete game.....2 (Verlander, 4/16 @KC)
 Most runs, game9 (Porcello, 4/21 vs. TEX)
 Most walks, game.....7 (Scherzer, 4/29 @NYY)
 Most strikeouts, game (starter) ...11 (Scherzer, 4/13 @CWS)
 Most strikeouts, game (relief).....4 (Below, 4/21 vs. TEX)
 Most home runs, game2 (Wilk, 4/14 @CWS)
 Most hit by pitch, game2 twice (last, Porcello, 5/6 vs. CWS)
 Most wild pitches, game2 (Balester, 4/14 @CWS)
 Most consec. scoreless innings16.0 (Verlander, 4/5-11)

TIGERS MISCELLANEOUS

	STARTING LINEUP BY POSITION										STARTING LINEUP BY BATTING ORDER								
	CA	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DH		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Avila	22																		
Boesch								28	1			26				16	4	2	
Cabrera				29					1				30					3	
Dirks						6			9		1	3			3		1	6	1
Eldred									4						1	2		1	
Fielder		29							1					30					
Inge			5						1									3	3
Jackson											29								
Kelly		1		1		6	1								1	1	1	2	4
Laird	8																	3	5
Peralta					27										1	2	21	3	
Raburn			13			6		2	2						1	9	1	3	9
Santiago			8		3							1					2	4	4
Thomas																			
Worth			4																4
Young						12			11						23				
Pitchers																			

TIGERS RECORD WHEN STARTING...

Avila	11-11	Kelly	3-6
Boesch	14-15	Laird	4-4
Cabrera	15-15	Peralta	13-14
Dirks	9-6	Raburn	13-11
Eldred	1-3	Santiago	6-5
Fielder	15-15	Thomas	0-0
Inge	4-2	Worth	1-3
Jackson	15-14	Young	12-11

TIGERS RECORD WHEN STARTING...

Fister	1-1	Smyly	4-2
Porcello	4-2	Verlander	4-3
Scherzer	2-4	Wilk	0-3



TIGERS MISCELLANEOUS

OFFENSE BY POSITION	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DH	P	PH
HOME RUNS	5	5	1	7	1	3	4	4	0	0	0
RBI	11	15	5	22	12	16	12	14	6	0	0

OFFENSE BY BATTING ORDER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
HOME RUNS	4	5	7	5	2	3	2	0	2
RBI	12	18	22	15	11	7	16	9	3

RUNS BY INN.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10+	TOTAL
TIGERS	19	14	11	17	12	11	11	18	8	3	124
OPPONENT	20	10	19	6	9	12	12	15	21	3	127

ERRORLESS STREAKS

Player	Streak	Last Error	Player	Streak	Last Error
Avila	11	4/22/12 vs. TEX	Laird	17	8/9/11 vs. MIL
Boesch	47	7/25/11 @CWS	Peralta	11	4/25/12 vs. SEA
Cabrera	13	4/24/12 vs. SEA	Raburn	9	4/26/12 vs. SEA
Dirks	27	8/10/11 @CLE	Santiago	13	4/19/12 vs. TEX
Fielder	1	5/8/12 @SEA	Worth	23	6/13/11 vs. TB
Jackson	100	6/29/11 vs. NYM	Young	7	4/13/12 @CWS
Kelly	3	4/27/12 @NYY			

CATCHER PROFILE

Catcher	SB	CS	CS%
Avila	19	5	20.8
Laird	6	2	25.0
Totals	25	7	21.9

MILESTONE MONITOR

PLAYER	MILESTONE	PLAYER	MILESTONE
Miguel Cabrera	16 home runs shy of 300	Rick Porcello	5 starts shy of 100
Jim Leyland	16 wins shy of tying Ralph Houk (1,619) for 15th on the all-time list	Jose Valverde	19 saves shy of 100 during his Tigers career

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED IN A GAME

FOR THE TIGERS

HITTING
Five-or-more hits:
 Brennan Boesch (5) - 6/6/11 @TEX
Six-or-more hits:
 Carlos Pena (6) - 5/27/04 @KC
Five-or-more RBI:
 Miguel Cabrera (5) - 4/8/12 vs. BOS
Six-or-more RBI:
 Miguel Cabrera (6) - 4/10/09 vs. TEX
Seven-or-more RBI:
 Ryan Raburn (7) - 7/25/07 @CWS
Back-to-back home runs:
 Miguel Cabrera/Prince Fielder - 4/7/12 vs. BOS (Beckett)
Switch-hit home run:
 Carlos Guillen - 9/23/09 @CLE (Masterson/Gosling)
Grand slam:
 Victor Martinez - 9/7/11 @CLE (Sipp)
Inside-the-park home run:
 Curtis Granderson - 8/26/07 vs. NYY (Hughes)
Lead-off home run:
 Austin Jackson - 5/6/12 vs. CWS (Axelrod)
Back-to-back home runs to lead off game:
 Omar Infante/Bobby Higginson - 9/28/04 @CWS (Contreras)
Pinch-hit home run:
 Alex Avila - 9/14/11 @CWS (Santos)
Pinch-hit grand slam:
 Mickey Tettleton - 8/11/91 vs. NYY (Guetterman)
Walk-off home run:
 Jhonny Peralta - 5/4/12 vs. CWS (Thornton)
Three consecutive home runs:
 Robert Fick/Juan Encarnacion/Shane Halter - 6/24/01 vs. MIN (Milton)
Hitting for the cycle:
 Carlos Guillen - 8/1/06 @TB

PITCHING
No-hitter:
 Justin Verlander - 5/7/11 @TOR
One-hitter:
 Armando Galarraga - 6/2/10 vs. CLE
Ten-or-more strikeouts:
 Max Scherzer (11) - 4/13/12 @CWS
Fifteen-or-more strikeouts:
 Mickey Lolich (15) - 10/2/72 vs. BOS

MISCELLANEOUS
Steal of home:
 Ryan Raburn - 8/18/09 vs. SEA
Triple play:
 Damion Easley-Deivi Cruz-Shane Halter - 8/1/01 vs. SEA

AGAINST THE TIGERS

HITTING
Back-to-back home runs:
 Alejandro De Aza/Brent Morel - 9/3/11 vs. CWS (Penny)
Grand slam:
 Miguel Tejada - 7/2/11 vs. SF (Villarreal)
Inside-the-park home run:
 Jhonny Peralta - 7/18/10 @CLE (Oliver)
Lead-off home run:
 Matt Angle - 9/24/11 vs. BAL (Verlander)
Pinch-hit home run:
 David Ortiz - 5/29/11 vs. BOS (Valverde)
Pinch-hit grand slam:
 Dewayne Wise - 9/14/08 @CWS (Farnsworth)
Three consecutive home runs:
 Tony Graffanino/Angel Berroa/Doug Mientkiewicz - 5/25/06 @KC (Maroth)
Hitting for the cycle:
 Gary Matthews Jr. - 9/13/06 vs. TEX

PITCHING
No-hitter:
 Matt Garza - 7/26/10 @TB
One-hitter:
 Joe Kennedy - 5/2/03 vs. TB
Ten-or-more strikeouts:
 John Danks (10) - 7/27/11 @CWS
Fifteen-or-more strikeouts:
 David Cone (16) - 6/23/97 vs. NYY

MISCELLANEOUS
Steal of home:
 Kenji Johjima - 5/31/08 @SEA
Triple play:
 Ian Kinsler-Elvis Andrus - 5/20/09 vs. TEX

